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Telephones are being much used in large coal mines. In some cases where the galleries penetrate far from the shaft or mouth of the mine the telephone systems are quite elaborate and extensive.

The Germans spent on drink in a year about \$700,000,000, which is three times the cost of the army and navy combined, or, in other words, the cost of the national education.

The British government stands to lose the naval reserve unless it changes recent regulations, which require 28 consecutive days service at sea on a battleship each year. As most of the men are engaged in farms and other sea-going vocations, this gives them the choice of leaving the reserve or losing their ships.

Hub, Frederick (Hartford), of Vermont, who recently passed his 93d birthday, is the only one of the famous "war governors" now surviving. He stood with Gov. Curtis, of Pennsylvania, and Andrew, of Massachusetts, as one of the staunchest supporters of the Lincoln administration when it most needed such support as they could give.

A simple game of cards, played recently in Budapest by a Hungarian and an American merchant, resulted in \$20,000 changing hands. For 48 hours the two players sat at a small table in Cafe New York, and though hundreds of people passed in and out of the place, but few were aware that a great fortune was slowly but surely being passed across a small marble-top table.

American newspaper men rejoiced in the good fortune which lately befell Sir Alfred Harmsworth, the enterprising English editor and newspaper proprietor, who made a tour of this country last year. The good fortune consists in the people bestowed upon him by King Edward as a mark of recognition for the distinguished service the former has rendered to English journalism.

Islanders have a strange but effective plan for preventing horses from straying away. They tie the head of one horse to the tail of another, and the head of this to the tail of the former. In this state it is impossible for the horses to move on, either backward or forward. If disposed to move at all, it will be only in a circle, and even then there must be mutual agreement to turn their heads the same way.

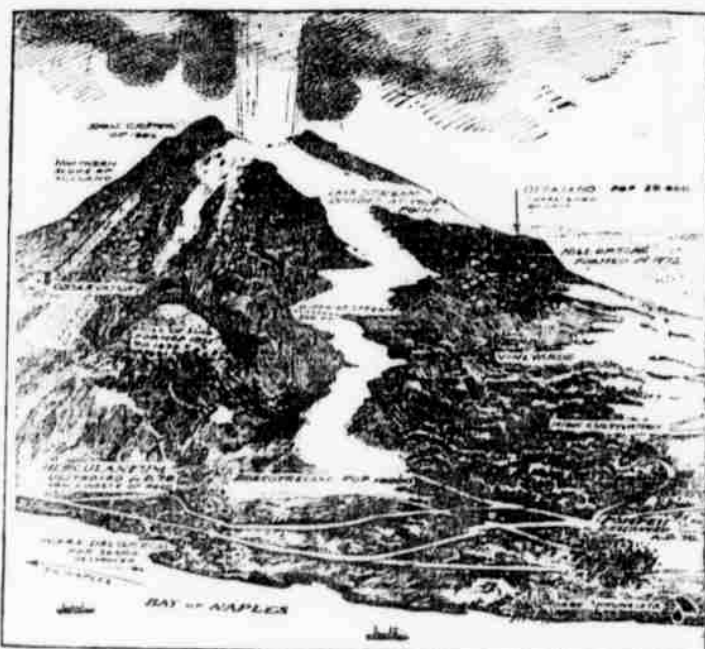
One of the remarkable things about baseball is the severity of accidents to players. In the two major leagues alone there are 200 ball players playing 170 days a year at least, and yet if even one is hurt it is heralded all over the country. There are perhaps 1,000,000 people in the United States who play ball of some form every day from April to the middle of October, and at the least estimate there are 4,000 games of ball played every day in summer, and the serious accidents do not average 25 to the season.

In the last fiscal year Great Britain bought goods from the United States worth \$50,000,000 and sold to us \$191,000,000 worth. Notwithstanding the large volume of imports from this country into the United Kingdom, there was a decline compared with the preceding years, the decline being principally in food-stuffs. What we received from Great Britain were mainly manufactured articles. The imports from the colonies vary less than \$4,000,000, the imports to the colonies aggregating \$583,000,000 and the exports \$587,793,050.

An event of large and happy significance in the sphere of religious life and progress occurred at Dayton, O., a few days ago. It was nothing less than the practical consolidation of three denominations, the Congregationalists, the Methodist Protestants, and the United Brethren, the three representing a total membership of over 1,050,000. This merger had been under consideration for a number of years, and was finally brought about by a conference at Dayton, at which over two hundred delegates from the three denominations were present.

Spurred to action by the hazing affair at Kenyon college, which resulted in the terrible death of a student, the Ohio legislature has passed a bill designed to make such practices impossible in that state. The measure defines hazing in public and private schools as a misdemeanor, and prescribes for it as a penalty a fine not exceeding \$200 or imprisonment in jail not exceeding six months, or both. The measure also provides that teachers and heads of schools and colleges who knowingly permit hazing shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

When King Edward opened parliament recently, his subjects were surprised and alarmed at his appearance. They noticed that he could not walk without a cane, that he could not rise from the throne without assistance, and that his face was haggard, his usual rosy frame fallen away, and his hair and beard as white as snow. Alarming rumors gained wide currency, and it was said that the ruler was fast falling in health and strength. Of course denial followed, but the appearance of the king was proof that he is aging rapidly.



Sketch Showing the Flow of Vesuvius, Drawn from a Cabled Description. The Black Circle Containing a Cross Shows the Site of Boscon-Trecase, a Town of 10,000 Inhabitants, Which Has Been Cut Off by a Molten Stream.

THE VESUVIAN CATASTROPHE

NEW EVIDENCES OF ITS MAGNITUDE EVERY DAY.

Thousands of Houses Destroyed and Hundreds of Human Lives Have Been Lost.

Naples, Italy.—Every day that passes gives new evidence of the magnitude of the Vesuvian catastrophe. Thursday's visit of King Victor Emmanuel to Ottajano revealed new tragedies. At a certain point his majesty was obliged to alight from his motor car and walk forward on horseback amid constant danger. His horse floundered through four feet of ashes, tumbling into holes blined by the fall of lava slanders and the target for falling basaltic masses. In the presence of the king, 129 more bodies were extricated from the ruins, the white and red sand falling as though they were rain. The dead at Ottajano are said to number 550.

The latest reports show that 240 houses have been damaged at Portici, 185 at San Giovanni and Teduccio, 432 at Resina and 1,000 at Torre del Greco. It is impossible to determine the exact number of buildings demolished at Torre Annunziata. It is estimated that about 5,000 houses in all have been partly or entirely destroyed. In the villages on the Ottajano side of the mountain all the houses are damaged. At Nola destruction reigns, the place having been almost entirely abandoned.

GEN. CASTRO STEPS ASIDE

The President of Venezuela Gives Up the Reins, Temporarily, to Vice-President Gomez.

New York.—President Cipriano Castro has retired temporarily from the presidency of Venezuela. Gen. Juan Vicente Gomez, first vice-president of the republic, is the present executive head. This information was contained in an official cable dispatch received from Caracas by Carlos Figueredo, Venezuelan consul general in this city. The official announcement gives as Castro's reason for resigning that "he desires to retire to restful private life for some time, owing to the strenuous work his position entails and which he has so successfully carried on for several years."

TO TESTIFY IN COLL CASE

Frank G. Bigelow To Go to Milwaukee to Testify on Behalf of His Assistant Cashier.

Leavenworth, Kas.—Convict Frank G. Bigelow, ex-president of the Milwaukee First National bank, who is serving a ten years' term in the federal prison, will leave here Saturday afternoon for Milwaukee in charge of Warren R. W. McCloughrey, to testify on behalf of Henry Goll, the assistant cashier, who is to go on trial there Monday. Bigelow does not like to go, but now that he has been subpoenaed he will give all the testimony he is called on for.

TYPHOID AT PITTSBURG

It is Apparently Decreasing, But is Spreading to Surrounding Towns on the Ohio.

Pittsburg, Pa.—It seems that Pittsburg's epidemic of typhoid fever, while apparently decreasing in the daily number of cases reported, appears to be spreading to the surrounding municipalities. Twenty-one cases were reported Friday. Towns along the Ohio river below Pittsburg are beginning to report typhoid fever cases in alarming numbers and instructions have been issued by the various local boards of health in these places to use no water out of the Ohio river for drinking purposes unless it has been boiled.

Republican Golden Jubilee.

Philadelphia, Pa.—President James Hampton Moore of the National Republican league, has issued the call for the biennial convention to be held in Philadelphia, June 17, 18 and 19. The occasion will mark the golden jubilee of the republican party.

Concrete Arch Kills Two Men.

Colorado Springs, Col.—Building Contractor Peter W. Johnson, aged 65, and Hardy Hardwick, aged 24, were instantly killed by the fall of a concrete arch at the Iron springs, Manitou, due to premature removal of supports.

A BIG BUNCH OF TORNADES

Seven Were Observed East and North of Great Bend, Kas., in One Day, Doing Much Damage.

Topeka, Kas.—Not less than seven tornadoes were seen east and north of Great Bend, Barton county, during the afternoon. The school house in district No. 2, vacant at the time, was demolished and a threshing outfit destroyed. No other damage reports have come in. Some rain and hail fell. Three years ago a number of tornadoes occurred in the same neighborhood, doing much damage to property.

Twister at Stafford, Kas.

Stafford, Kas.—A terrible tornado struck at Stafford, Kas., at five o'clock in the afternoon, resulting in injuries to several persons and demolishing several houses. The storm came from the southwest, passed over the business part of the town without damage, first striking two blocks east of Main street. Here the home of Fred Tanner and the parsonage of the Congregational church were demolished. The Quaker church was blown down, the debris falling upon the home of Mrs. Ella Granger, which was also destroyed. Mrs. Granger was injured, but not seriously.

Another tornado at Bushton, 50 miles north of Stafford.

Fatal Tornado at Briggs, Tex.

Briggs, Tex.—The little town of Briggs, about 18 miles north of here, was swept by a tornado about five o'clock Thursday afternoon and almost entirely destroyed. Two persons are reported killed and 20 injured, six fatally.

TRADE IS MORE ANIMATED

Improved Weather Conditions and Easter Influences Have Stimulated Business.

New York.—Bradstreet's regular weekly review says:

Trade displays more animation, weather conditions, retail business and to some extent collections improving in unison. Easter season influences have been a stimulus, even were low temperatures, heavy rains or bad roads have occurred and few complaints as to retail trade are noted. These latter, by the way, are not in the east. Generally speaking, the weather west and south has been good and some lost ground has been regained in planting, though the crop planting season is still fully ten days late. The spring jobbing trade is nearly over but some retailers are noted and there is free buying of fall goods. Among the industries favorable features are the activity in building and the partial settlements, and advances granted in the central and western bituminous coal fields.

FOUNDED FARMERS' UNION

Death of Newton Graham, Founder and Organizer of the Farmers' Union, at Point, Tex.

Point, Tex.—Newton Graham, aged 45 years, founder and organizer of the Farmers' union, died here of appendicitis. The organization founded by Mr. Graham now has a membership of more than 200,000 in Texas, and is being rapidly extended into other states and territories of the west and southwest.

Kansas Town Fire-Swept.

Wichita, Kas.—The entire business portion of Belleplaine, 20 miles south of here, was practically destroyed by fire, causing a loss of \$150,000. The fire started in the theater building, and destroyed the stores of Dodson, Jeweler; Cronwell & Watson, hardware; Funk & Parks, general merchandise; H. I. Funk, drugs; C. A. Berry, furniture; the Valley State bank and the Odd Fellows' building. There was no fire protection, and the citizens' efforts with buckets had but little effect on the flames.

Juvenile Firebug Sentenced.

Little Rock, Ark.—William Eppert, aged 16, who was indicted by the Pulaski county grand jury on 16 counts for setting fire to business houses and dwellings in Little Rock, entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

Czar Declines Witte's Resignation.

St. Petersburg, Russia.—The St. Petersburg, a conservative liberal newspaper, says that it has learned from high authority that the emperor has declined to accept Premier Witte's resignation.

FINE AND IMPRISONMENT

GREENE AND GAYNOR SENTENCED AT SAVANNAH, GA.

Fined \$575,649 As a Firm and Sentenced to Four Years Imprisonment Each.

Savannah, Ga.—Benjamin D. Greene and John Gaynor were fined \$575,649 as a firm and were given four years each, by Judge Spear, Friday morning, following their conviction, Thursday, on the charge of conspiring to defraud the government.

Greene and Gaynor were members of a contracting firm which did most of the great government harbor work at Savannah, Ga., beginning in 1884. The work consisted of deepening the harbor and building a mammoth breakwater and two jetties. Their conviction finds them guilty of conspiring with Capt. Oberlin M. Carter, the representative of the government, to defraud the United States out of vast sums of money.

Carter served five years in the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kas., for his connection with the conspiracy, beginning his sentence in 1899. The sentence included, besides imprisonment, dismissal from the army, the publication of his disgrace in his native town annually for five years, and all army officers were forbidden to speak to him over.

Greene and Gaynor were indicted in 1902 and after fighting extradition proceedings in New York fled to Canada. After lengthy proceedings there, they were finally extradited and brought to Savannah for trial.

At the trial it was brought out that by a manipulation of the specifications and bids Carter had managed to throw most of the government work to Greene and Gaynor at prices over \$2,000,000 in excess of its just cost.

The increased sum paid by the government was divided between the conspirators.

WILL NOT FLEE TO MEXICO

Dowie Will Fight For Complete Restoration of Power, Both Temporal and Ecclesiastical.

Chicago.—"First Apostle" John Alexander Dowie will not turn tail and flee to Mexico. He will wage a vigorous legal warfare to regain control of Zion City, and as soon as he considers that he has taken the proper preliminary steps, he will descend upon that place and proclaim himself the only and "first apostle." This statement is authorized by "Dr." Dowie himself and by the firm of lawyers who represent him.

In this connection, Attorney P. C. Haley, of the firm of Eddy, Haley & Wetten, who represent Dr. Dowie and his counselors, made the following statement:

"We have advanced and will advance only one condition—complete restoration of power, temporal as well as ecclesiastical, and a demand for an absolute retraction of the slanderous statements made by General Overseer Voliva and his followers against the moral character of Dowie."

WITH THE DEATH PENALTY

Harrison Clarke, the Negro Who Shot and Killed Conductor Flury in Omaha, Convicted.

Omaha, Neb.—The jury that tried the case against Harrison Clarke, colored, returned a verdict of murder in the first degree with the death penalty. Clarke, with two colored companions, on the night of March 7, attempted to hold up a street car, of which Edward Flury was conductor. Flury resisted and was shot. On March 15, the day on which Flury died, the sheriff, by removing the prisoners from the city, defeated the plans of a mob to lynch the colored men.

FIFTY MILLIONS CAPITAL

Proposition to Establish a Bank to Regulate Money and Exchange During Stringent Times.

New York.—It is current report that a proposition to establish a bank with a capital of \$50,000,000 for the purpose of regulating money and exchange rates during times of financial stringency, such as that recently experienced in Wall street, is under consideration by interests connected with the stock exchange and the National City bank of this city.

Impending Crisis in Serbia.

London.—Belgrade (Serbia) telegrams give official denial to the statement that King Peter intends to abdicate. The denial, however, does not counteract the general belief that a serious Serbian crisis is brewing. April 26 is named as the day on which the king will be dethroned and expelled, unless he abdicates beforehand. A strong party is reported to have been formed against King Peter, in favor of his cousin, Prince Arsen Karageorgievitch, who is now an officer in the Russian army.

Cure For Locomotor Ataxia.

London.—The Daily Express, Friday morning, says that Le Grand Norton Deaslow, an American doctor residing in London, has discovered a cure for locomotor ataxia. He already, says the Express, has effected a number of wonderful recoveries.

A New World's Record.

New York.—During regular target practice off Cape Cruz, last Saturday, one of the six-inch batteries of the United States steamship Pennsylvania scored 17 hits in 90 seconds, a new world's record for the six-inch gun.

THE KEARSARGE DISASTER

Terrible Results Of a Power Explosion in the Forward Turret of the Battleship.

Washington, D. C.—The following is Rear-Admiral Evans' report of the explosion on board the battleship Kearsarge, last Friday, and its results, transmitted to the secretary of the navy:

"Calmata, April 14.—Secretary of the Navy, Washington, D. C.: On April 12, about 3:15 p. m., shortly after completion target practice of Kearsarge, forward turret, while the powder was going below, three sections of a 13-inch charge of powder were ignited. Charge of powder in other turret just below and one section inside turret remained intact. Cause not yet determined, nor accountability. Matter is being investigated. Lieut. George W. Graeme, gunnery, has been sent to the Maryland in a very critical state. The following have since died: Lieut. Higgins, turret officer; Peter Norberg, gunner; Theodore Naegely, seaman; Anton G. Thomson, ordinary seaman; Julius A. Koester, turret captain, first class; Ellis H. Atley, seaman.

"The following was dangerously injured by accident; recovery doubtful: W. King, ordinary seaman.

"Will bury dead at Guantanamo, vessel undamaged.

Press reports say that 14 men were injured, and Rear-Admiral Brownson notified the navy department, Sunday, that Lieut. Graeme had died and that the condition of Seaman King and Gunner's Mate Fred T. Fisher is grave. The rest are doing well.

BEN FRANKLIN'S PORTRAIT

By the Graceful Act of Earl Grey It Will Be Seen At the Franklin Bicentenary Celebration.

New York.—The long-lost portrait of Benjamin Franklin from the famous gallery in Dorchester house, London, at present the residence of Ambassador Whitelaw Reid, which has been restored to the United States by Earl Grey, the governor general of Canada, arrived Sunday on the American line steamship St. Paul. The tin case containing the canvas was addressed to "The Honorable President Theodore Roosevelt, Washington." In view of the approaching bicentenary Franklin celebration, soon to be held in Philadelphia, Earl Grey, who, with Countess Grey, was recently entertained in this country, thought it fitting that the picture should be restored at this time. The portrait went to England during the revolutionary period, and became the property of Earl Grey, a great grandfather of the present earl. It was taken from Franklin's home in Philadelphia. The painting has been cleaned and re-varnished and is in excellent condition. It depicts Franklin at an earlier period of his life than the generally-known pictures show him.

It was forwarded to Washington without delay.

EULOGIES ON BENJ. MARSH

National House of Representatives Held a Sunday Session to Listen to Eulogies.

Washington, D. C.—The house met at noon, Sunday, to hear eulogies on the life and character of the late Representative Benj. F. Marsh, of the Fourteenth Illinois district. The house was called to order by Maj. McDowell, the clerk, who read a letter from Speaker Cannon designating Representative J. Warren Keifer, of Ohio, as speaker. The resolutions of condolence were offered by James McKinney, successor to Mr. Marsh, who then addressed the house. Other eulogies were pronounced by Representatives Graft, Prince, Rodenburg, Fuller and Wilson, of Illinois; Grosvenor and Keifer, of Ohio, and Wiley, of Alabama. The house then, at 1:45 p. m., adjourned.

A MODEL FOR ALL NATIONS

Commendation For the American Legation Guard at Peking, China, Under Capt. Harry R. Lee.

Peking, China.—Capt. Harry R. Lee, late commander of the American legation guard, started for Manila, Sunday. Capt. Lee was given a farewell banquet by the commanders of the several legation guards.

The American legation guard, under the command of Capt. Lee, is considered to be the most efficient and solidly here, and a model for all nationalities.

Monster Saline Deposit.

Baton Rouge, La.—George D. Harris, state geologist, has just discovered in Winn parish, where he is now making a topographical survey, the first salt deposit in north Louisiana, and the only salt deposit in the state that is capped over with several hundred feet of hard rock. The salt mines on Avery's island, in south Louisiana, while rich in mineral resources, are not capped with rock, which makes mining difficult. The deposits that Harris has found in Winn parish are capped with rock, and can be easily worked.

Anarchist Congress in America.

Geneva.—There is excellent authority for the statement that a secret international anarchist congress will be held early in June in America. Seven well-known anarchists have left Switzerland separately and by different routes for America.

Mother of Twelve Children Suicides.

Fort Worth, Tex.—Mrs. George W. Morris, aged 50, mother of 12 children and wife of a Navarro county farmer, a victim of insomnia, committed suicide by hanging herself in the kitchen.

THE LAW TO BE VINDICATED

Five Arrests Made of Leaders of the Mob Which Lynched Negroes at Springfield, Mo.

Springfield, Mo.—Five well-known men are now under arrest here charged with being leaders in the mob that broke into the county jail, Saturday night, and lynched three negroes. Two of the alleged mob leaders are in jail, and two have been released on bond. Charles Canefax and Oney Caltry were the first men arrested. Canefax has been a pool room proprietor, but is at present employed in the St. Louis & San Francisco railroad yards. Caltry is a switchman for the same road. Both have been released on bond. Dan Crane, son of D. D. Crane, a well-known saddlery merchant, was the third arrested. Crane moves in the best society here. Out Hall, the last man arrested, is a police court character. Crane and Hall were placed in jail, but Crane was later released on bond. Canefax went to Sheriff Horner, Monday, and inquired how much damage had been done by the mob on the sheriff's property. Canefax was informed that it would amount to \$1,000. He then said a collection would be taken up to repair the loss, but his offer was flatly refused by Sheriff Horner.

Later a fifth arrest was made in the person of S. R. Brake, a former policeman. He was released on bond.

Circuit Judge A. W. Lincoln ordered a special grand jury called to investigate the triple lynching. The court's remarks were brief. He simply said he ordered the special grand jury "in view of the outrages and crimes committed here Saturday night, and in view of the fact that a great number of men convicted in this court were liberated."

Prosecuting Attorney Patterson, who is a young man of determined air and a graduate of the St. Louis law school, says the grand jury will immediately endeavor to ascertain the identity of the mob leaders and followers.

"And I will prosecute each and every one of them for murder in the first degree," Mr. Patterson declared.

FOUND ON A RIVER ISLAND

Tragic Accident Recalled By the Finding of Skeleton Near Booneville, Mo.

Sedalia, Mo.—A human skeleton found on an island in the Missouri river, three miles below Booneville, has been identified as that of Mrs. William Courtney, wife of a shoe merchant here, who was drowned by the overturning of a steam launch at the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad bridge, August 10, 1905. Other victims of the tragedy were Mrs. Courtney's two daughters, whose bodies were recovered several days later, and Miss Nell Varney, of Booneville. The skeleton was identified by the shoes, the only part of her apparel remaining. A diamond brooch and a diamond ring, valued at \$1,000, and other jewelry are missing, and the earrings she wore when she met her death were not found.

WELL-KNOWN ST. LOUIS MAN

Samuel T. Rathwell, Well Known St. Louis Real Estate Man, Ends His Life By Shooting.

St. Louis.—Immediately after calling from the window to his son Robert at 8 a. m. Monday, with the evident intention of instructing him about duties of his office, Samuel T. Rathwell, aged 56, one of the best-known real estate men in St. Louis, changed his mind, and ended his life by shooting at his home, 518 Cabanne avenue, before his son, who had just left the house, reached him.

ANOTHER NEGRO KILLED

He Was Shot at Springfield, Mo., While, With Another, Attempting to Hold Up a White Man.

Springfield, Mo.—A young negro named Burns was shot and killed shortly after ten o'clock Monday night in the east part of the city by Leslie Peters, a young white man. The latter was escorting a young lady to her home when they were held up by two negroes. The white man drew a pistol and fired at the negroes, who fled, as he supposed. He ran after them, not knowing he had hit one, and stumbled over the dead body of the man he had shot.

Structural Iron Workers Strike.

Indianapolis, Ind.—A gang of forty-five structural iron workers, employed on the 11-story Knights of Pythias grand lodge building, went on strike Monday morning. They demanded 50 cents an hour, five cents increase, which was granted by local contractors, but they insist on the scale affecting all structural iron workers within a radius of 100 miles of Indianapolis. The latter demand was refused. The strike may spread to several hundred workers in this city and vicinity before many days.

Increasing Immigration.

Washington. The aggregate of immigration to the United States from all countries during the month of March, 1906, according to a statement issued by the immigration bureau Monday was 133,245 or an increase of 70 per cent., over March 1904.

Declared Insolvent.

Chicago.—Judge Sol H. Bethea in the United States district court, Monday, ordered that the Cash Buyers' Union and First National Co-operative society be declared insolvent, and that the assets of the company be sold.